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ABSTRACT

First, the wave-front aberration in of an optical system PL subject to measurement is measured using a measuring system 70 according to a usual method. After that, by using calculated correction information for aberration components of a second set of order terms orders based on a model for the measuring system 70 and aberration components of a first set of order terms orders measured before, the result of measuring aberration components of the second set of order terms orders is corrected. As a result, aberration components of the second set of order terms orders can be accurately obtained, so that the wave-front aberration in of the optical system subject to measurement is accurately obtained.